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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. The items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 were recently cited by the Examiner in the copending related patent application serial no. 08/480,170, entitled SYSTEM FOR MARKING DATABASES TO IDENTIFY EXECUTION OF SOFTWARE PROGRAMS. The copending '170 patent application was identified in a Communication Regarding Related Applications, which was filed on June 7, 1995 with the parent application of this presently pending application.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits, but before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, and before the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311. Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), Applicant is submitting a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 to the Patent Office. However,

the copies are being submitted via U.S. mail on the same date as the facsimile transmission of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested once the Applicant provides copies of the cited references to the Patent Office. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication after receiving copies of the cited references.

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